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Twins Win It
Defeat Yanks, 5 to 4,
in 11-Inning Opener



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GOV. KARL ROLVAAG PITCHED FIRST BALL MONDAY
Mrs. Rolvaag and Atty. Gen. Robert Mattson watched

AND THE SUN COMES OUT
15,388 Hop Puddles
to See Ball Game

By BARBARA FLANAGAN
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The Minnesota Twins—bliss 'em—barred into a new season of baseball Monday against the towering New York Yankees and suddenly the sun came out.

To make it perfect, the Twins won, 5 to 4, in 11 harrowing innings.

A crowd of 15,388 loyalists hopped mud puddles huddled in Metropolitan Stadium, where the wind was snapping at flags and biting at anybody not bright enough to wear thermal underwear.

Just before Gov. Karl Rolvaag pitched the first ball to catcher Jerry Zimmerman, Rolvaag pitched and disaster struck: the crowd parted and there was nothing but blue skies smiling through.

Only a few poets took off their coats. So did Mrs. Joe Hayes, club Treasurer and sister of Twins owner Calvin Griffith. An obvious optimist, Mrs. Hayes says she's the paychecks.

Griffith, in bed at home with an inflamed vein in his leg, missed the opener. "He has the TV set on but turned down," Mrs. Griffith said, and the radio going strong.

Mrs. Griffith brought Mr. and Mrs. Philip Harder as her guests.

Ken Nelson, 980 Hathaway Lane, Fridley, a railroad man, can take credit for catching the first foul ball of the season—a looper hit into the stands by shortstop Zoilo Versalles.

He came with Mr. and Mrs. Maurice G. Coffey, 1115 SE. 8th St., and their son, Greg, 23.

"I'll have to give Mrs. Coffey's handbag an assist on it," Nelson, father of four daughters, said.

"The ball hit my purse right here," said Mrs. Coffey, still breathless. "Then it caromed off to the left past Mr. Coffey," she said.

Nelson caught it without a glove in front of Greg Coffey's nose. It was Nelson's first catch and even though he'd like to measure the ball, he checks he'll pass it along to his nephew, Jimmy Brucker, 12, of Roseville.

Nothing seemed to stop the fans who came yesterday.

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Tornado
Toll Climbs
to 246 Dead

1,500 Injured,
Damage High
in Six States

Associated Press
The Midwest counted its dead from the vicious tornadoes Palm Sunday at 246 Monday and expected the toll to rise further.

The death list included 141 in Indiana, 53 in Ohio, 42 in Michigan, 7 in Illinois and 3 in Wisconsin.

Communications, utilities and normal services of half a hundred communities remained out of operation.

Water shortages and health perils were expected in the aftermath.

The tornadoes started in Iowa, which was relatively unscathed, then moved eastward across a heavily populated region to Ohio before dissipating.

THOSE injured, the American Red Cross said, numbered more than 1,500. More than 1,200 homes were destroyed or damaged in 41 counties, and business loss to damaged stores and factories was heavy. At least 53 communities reported damage.

Damage was expected to run into many millions of dollars. The American Insurance Association, a clearing house for the business, designated the string of storms as a catastrophe.

Sunday's barrage of twisters came just one day after a tornado killed 6 persons and injured 98 at Conway, Ark.

The Palm Sunday disaster was the worst since a tornado on August 18, 1953, killed 689 persons in Missouri, Illinois and Indiana.

In 1952, an overnight series of tornadoes that hit St. Louis, Mo. among other communities, took 208 lives in Arkansas, Missouri and Tennessee.

The debris in suburban sections of Toledo, Ohio, brought to the attention of Gov. James A. Rhodes: "Frenzied, unbelievable! There's nothing you can compare it with."

Reg. ordered Ohio National Guard units to duty to help police and disaster forces and care for stunned survivors.

Nine persons were killed at Pittsfield, Ohio, a Lorain County crossroads community 25 miles southwest of Cleveland, where every building in town, 12 houses, two frame churches, the brick town hall and a grocery store-service station, was destroyed.

Altogether, 19 persons were killed in the county. Scores of houses were wrecked and more than 100 persons were injured, 40 of whom were hospitalized.

IN MICHIGAN and Indiana small National Guard units were ordered to scattered communities in the tornado damage belt, which extended west to east across both states.

In Indiana, with the highest state death toll, workers expected to find more bodies as they searched open fields, smashed homes, and the wreckage of stores. Many

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Mississippi Perils Cities;
20,000 Homeless in State



MISSISSIPPI RIVER FLOODWATERS AND ICE BLOCKS RUSHED EIGHT FEET OVER FORD DAM

House Refuses
Wingard Seat,
Votes Hearing

By FRANK WRIGHT
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The Minnesota House refused Monday to seat Republican John Wingard as one of its members, pending the settlement of his contested election.

Acting on a motion by Rep. Aubrey Dittan, Redwood Falls, leader of the Republican - oriented Conservative majority, the house voted to establish a special three-member committee to hear the dispute.

Speaker Lloyd Duxbury, Caladonia Conservative, appointed Reps. Kenneth Scott, Fairmont Conservative; Wallace Gustafson, Willmar Conservative; and Raymond Park, South St. Paul DFL'er, to the committee. Scott will be committee chairman.

The committee is to make a recommendation to the full House, which is the final judge of its members, by next Monday.

APPROVAL OF the motion was on an unrecorded voice vote.

DFL candidate Linn Sturgeon won the regular election against Wingard by 330 votes last fall in the east half of the 30th District—Rothdale, Brooklyn Center and Brooklyn Park.

But the house then overruled the results after Wingard charged his 1963 legislative voting and attendance records had been misrepresented by Sturgeon during the campaign, in violation of the State Corrupt Practices Act.

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That outcome now is being challenged by H. M. Brown, Brooklyn Center, chairman of the 20th DFL Club.

HE CLAIMS Wingard violated the Corrupt Practices Act by making false statements during the special election campaign, the same charges leveled by the other side after the first vote.

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Ice Pileup Poses New
Flood Threat in St. Paul

By JONATHAN FRIENDLY
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Ice piling up behind the railway trestle across the Mississippi River in downtown St. Paul Monday posed a new flood danger to the city's low-lying industrial areas.

Civil Defense officials expressed concern that an ice jam might damage the new plywood-and-sandbag capping on flood walls upstream from the Chicago and Great Western Railway bridge and the Wabasha St. Bridge.

The ice also endangered the Golden Gateer night club, and the Naval Reserve Training Center, both on Navy Island underneath the Wabasha St. Bridge. The island already is completely underwater.

Only a small wall of sandbags, cables and logs protects the two buildings.

Civil Defense Director James H. Booth expressed confidence that existing dikes on both sides of the river in the downtown area would prevent additional flooding as the river rises toward an expected crest of 27.5 feet Friday. The river rose to 25.5 feet last night, 8.5 feet above flood level but 5.5 feet below the top of the permanent flood walls.

BOOTH SAID an extra crew of 100 men from the City-County Workhouse and the welfare labor pool will start work this morning on capping the dike along the west side of the St. Paul downtown Airport. The airport is under nearly 5 feet of water, but the dike protects Riverview Industrial Park.

Traffic in downtown St. Paul was moving slowly yesterday as flood waters covered portions of Warner and Shepard Roads and the Mt. St. Bridge. Officials urged people to take buses rather than drive downtown today, noting that additional barges have been put on regular runs.

At the Pig's Eye Island sewage disposal plant, a crew of 10 men was working to clear the plant.

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Army Officer Saves
Bridge From Barges

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Ordinarily spectators are about as welcome near a flood as the water itself.

Monday, however, a spectator saved the day—out of the new Duffin Bridge—when he stopped a line of five barges adrift in the Mississippi River.

Three times they secured lines around the trees and three times the lines barred at the construction site of the new Washington Ave. bridge.

AFTER CONLIN stopped his car and got out, the barges came near the west bank of the river, the crewmen jumped ashore and tried to wrap lines from the barges around trees along the shore.

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Then Conlin, a retired Army Corps of Engineers officer, grabbed one of his men, shouted at the crewmen to keep out of his way and quickly knotted it around one of the last trees before the bridge.

Two strands broke as the line tightened, but the last one held and the barges stopped about 1,000 yards short of the bridge. The crewmen secured the barges with additional 1 1/2 inch and 2 inch cables and Conlin went on his way.

"THEY COULDN'T stop them because they couldn't get a knot in their lines," said Conlin. "I just threw a couple of quick hitches on it—call 'em desperation hitches—and it held."

Two other barges, carrying a 150-foot crane, also broke away from the construction site. But they were stopped on the east side of the river by a tugboat with a 350-horsepower engine.

Officials of Industrial Construction Co., contractor for the new Washington Ave. bridge, said the barges were ripped loose by ice then struck a broken ice jam upstream near the Coon Rapids dam.

Danger Eases
in Minnesota
River Areas

By JONATHAN FRIENDLY
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The Mississippi River, overabundant by runoff from its tributaries, started choking the Twin Cities area Monday.

Massive ice jams dislodged north of the metropolitan area, Minnesota River floodwaters poured in from the southwest and the St. Croix River became menacing to the east.

Upstream on the Mississippi, meanwhile, the critical area appeared to have passed at Claska.

As the threat heightened in Minnesota's most populous area, the state continued to measure the devastating flood toll in smaller, upstream areas.

THE RED CROSS said expected 20,000 residents have either moved out or are preparing to move.

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The ranks of the homeless began to swell in the metropolitan area. In some cases, such as Fridley, last-minute evacuations were made by row boat.

Helicopters and Coast Guard boats

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3 at Greenbush
Drown in River

By JONATHAN FRIENDLY
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GREENBUSH, Minn. — (UPI)—Three members of a Greenbush family drowned Monday night when their boat tipped over in the swollen east branch of Two Rivers, which empties into the Red River on the North Dakota border.

Roseau County Sheriff Paul Koskunen identified the victims as Mr. and Mrs. Merlyn Peters, about 40, and their daughter, Gwen, 8. Their bodies were not immediately recovered.

Russ Scientists Say Signals
May Come From Men on Planet

New York Times Service

MOSCOW, U.S.S.R.—Some Stenborg Astronomical Society scientists believe that little and have prompted radio signals they have received from space have been by "trained beings" living on a distant planet, Tass to a highly developed civilization, the agency reported Monday.

The official press agency said that Gennady Stokimsky, a radio astronomer, during the past few months had found that an "amazing radio source" listed as CIA-42.

But other scientists at the institute were more cautious, saying they were repeated regularly every 100 days.

Reports of his observations by the head of the institute,

felt that an "absolutely new, still unknown type of cosmic object in the galaxy," had been detected. Tass said.

IT ADDED that these could "not be discarded" the possibility that the object was a remnant of a supernova, or very bright exploding star.

The agency quoted scientists as saying that this might well be "one of the most outstanding discoveries in the history of radio astronomy."

It added that all the signals

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Almanac
Eggs to Dye
in Hard-Boiled
Class Exercise

Tuesday, April 13, 1965

A 4-year-old St. Louis Park youngster came home from nursery school and reported he's supposed to bring a hard-boiled egg to school for Easter.

The teacher says we get to fill eggs.

Obviously, he's the kind of boy who figures that when you dye an egg, it's dead.

Tuesday is not Friday the 13th.

Tammy, 6: "My ear aches."

Mother: "You probably have a cold in it."

Tammy: "Then how come it's not coughing?"